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Applicant: Eugene Y. Chan et al.  
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For: METHODS AND APPARATUSES FOR STRETCHING POLYMERS  
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Madam:

In response to the Restriction Requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed October 6, 2008, Applicant hereby elects Group I for continued examination.

Applicant further elects a species of embodiments with side channels. This election embraces at least claims 1, 6 and 10-14. This election is made for search and examination purposes and with the understanding that upon allowance of a generic claim (i.e., claim 1) Applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species which depend from or otherwise require all the limitations of the allowed generic claim as provided by 37 CFR 1.141. If this understanding is incorrect, the species election is made with traverse.

Applicant further reserves the right to request joinder of Group II once the Group I claims are considered allowable, based on the product and process of use relationship between the claims of these Groups.

**Summary**

If the Examiner has any questions and believes that a telephone conference with Applicant's representative would prove helpful in expediting the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is urged to call the undersigned at (617) 646-8266.

If this response is not considered timely filed and if a request for an extension of time is otherwise absent, Applicant hereby requests any necessary extension of time. If there is a fee occasioned by this response, including an extension fee, the Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith to our Deposit Account No. 23/2825, under Docket No. C0989.70030US01.

Dated:

December 5, 2008

Respectfully submitted,

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